

## WEATHER BULLETIN.

SIGNAL OFFICE, WICHITA, Kan., Dec. 9.—The highest temperature was 65°, the lowest 22°, and the mean 47°, with fresh southerly winds, cloudless weather, rising temperature and falling barometer.

Last year, on Dec. 9, the highest temperature was 60°, the lowest 35°, and the mean 49°, and two years ago the corresponding temperatures were 57°, 35° and 41°.

FRED L. JOHNSON, Observer.

WAR DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 9, 8 p. m.—Forecast until 8 p. m. Wednesday:

For Kansas and Colorado—Warmer, southerly winds, except in western and central portions of Kansas, stationary temperature.

For Missouri—Warmer, fair weather, southerly winds.

## A FATAL FALL.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 9.—Mr. Degan, an iron worker on the dome of the state house, fell this morning and was instantly killed. He was at work on the inside of the dome, and stepped on a plank which slipped. He fell 130 feet, and struck an iron crossbar. His head was crushed and his body frightfully mangled. He was the ninth iron worker that has been killed while at work on the state house within the last five years, six of whom were at work on the dome. Degan has been at work on the building for nearly three years. He leaves a wife and two children.

## KANSAS PENSIONERS.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 9.—Pension Agent Bernard Kelley in the audit of his quarterly payment, he has 48,470 pensioners to look after, who receive a little over \$2,000,000. There is now a gain of 100 pensioners a month. To disburse this great sum of money costs \$2.01 for each \$1,000, the lowest cost shown by any pension office in the United States. Columbus coming next with a cost of \$2.35. San Francisco gives the highest cost, the expense there being \$5.34 for each \$1,000 paid out. The work in the Topeka office has always been more economically done than in any other office in the United States.

Cures in fifteen minutes Preston's Head-Ake.

## THE ILLINOIS CONFEDERATION.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Dec. 9.—The Farmers and Laborers' confederation of the state of Illinois, in the state convention of the city yesterday, adopted the following resolution:

"We affirm the principles laid down at the meeting of the confederation of Illinois on the 23 day of May, 1890, touching national legislation, to wit: The free coinage of silver, the election of United States senators by the direct vote of the people, equal taxation of all kinds of property, the purity of the ballot, and recommend that the president, vice president and judiciary officers be elected by the direct vote of the people."

Do not take any chances of being poisoned or burnt to death with liquid stove polish, paints and enamels in bottles. The Rising Sun stove polish is safe, odorless, brilliant, the cheapest and best stove polish made, and the consumer pays for no expensive tin or glass package with every package.

## AID FOR WESTERN KANSAS.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 9.—A dispatch from Topeka says: A meeting of Kansas railroad men occurred here today, at which it was decided to transport free of charge all contributions to the destitute farmers in western and northwestern Kansas. Considerable destitution exists in those portions of the state, but not enough to require the solicitation of aid outside of the state.

## ATCHISON EARNINGS.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 9.—The gross earnings of the Atchison's entire system, including the St. Louis and San Francisco (approximately), for November, were \$8,621,312, an increase of \$390,640.

The Atchison annual report to the stockholders shows a surplus, after all charges, for the nine months ending June 30, 1890, of \$448,000.

## CLEVELAND A CANDIDATE.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 9.—A special to the Journal says: "Lea Lestie Thomsen, one of the wheel-horses of the South Dakota Democracy, has just returned from Topeka, where he had an interview with ex-President Cleveland. Mr. Thomsen said that he would surely be a presidential candidate in 1892, and he wanted his South Dakota friends to stand by him."

All affections of the kidneys and liver are cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla. Try it.

## TOOK THE OATH.

LUXEMBURG, Dec. 9.—The duke of Nassau, who, upon the death of King William of Holland, succeeded to the throne of the grand duchy of Luxembourg, today took the oath to maintain the national independence and the territorial integrity of the duchy.

## S. H. H. CLARK.

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—Sidney Dillon, president of the Union Pacific, announces the appointment of S. H. Clark as general manager of the Union Pacific. Mr. Clark, who is a resident of Omaha, is a well-known business man, and has been general manager of the Union Pacific since its organization.

## THE WORLD'S FAIR.

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—Mayor Crozier has signed the ordinance which will place the World's Columbian exposition, and it will tomorrow be placed in the hands of President Harrison, who can then issue his proclamation to the world.

## HAMPTON IN DANGER.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 9.—The first ballot for senator in the assembly today, was as follows: Irby, 10; Donaldson, 18; Hampton 45; George D. Tillman 1, Hemp-hill 2, Keith 2, Irby, Alliance, lacks thirteen to elect.

## JOHN BULL'S BULLION.

LONDON, Dec. 9.—Bullion to the amount of £200,000 was withdrawn from the Bank of England today for shipment to Bahia, Brazil, and £147,000 for shipment to New York.

## OCEAN WRECKS.

HAWKSBURG, P. E. J., Dec. 2.—A heavy gale raged in the strait of Canso Sunday. More vessels have been wrecked near here during the past ten days than for the last thirty years.

## OBITUARY.

LONDON, Dec. 9.—Dr. Richard William Church, M. A., D. D., Dean of St. Paul's cathedral, is dead.

In newspaper accounts, "I felt Guatemala with \$50 in coin," said F. W. Schultz to a Chicago Times reporter, "but I would not venture the experiment to bring that little with me again for anything under the sun."

Mr. Schultz is a merchant in the little Central American republic who came to the United States to attend to some private matters that demanded his immediate presence.

"Guatemala was as near the verge of starvation and utter bankruptcy three weeks ago as any state ever experienced. When I reached San Jose and was about to embark I heard that the passengers on board the Colima, a vessel that had sailed a few days before, had been searched for valuables, and that all coin, gold and silver found on them had been confiscated by order of President Barillas. I secretly made up my mind that the Guatemalan government should not accept in my riches. The financial condition of the country was such that Barillas had to issue such an order. The paper money was worthless, and the credit of the country of little good."

"Every resource to keep up credit had failed, and it was only through sheer desperation that the president made such an order. Well, I had my coins served up right on the table of my sofa. There were eight or ten gold pieces and several dollar pieces. When the search was made upon me I only had a few copper cents. But the officers

suspected I had no money, and with that suspicion they subjected me to a rigid examination. I had to pull off my shoes. Fortunately they did not touch them, else the weight of them would have given me away. For about ten minutes the cold perspiration just trickled down my forehead. What would they have done had they discovered the trick? I hate, really to think of it. Certain it is I should not have been here today to tell you."

## The Use of Water and Salt.

Salt is an absolute essential to the diet of man. It promotes health in various ways. Many of the functions of the body go on better under its influence, and without it the blood becomes impoverished. While a complete deprivation of salt would produce disastrous results, an excessive use of it would scarcely be less harmful. In large doses it acts as an emetic; in quantities beyond the requirements of health it irritates the stomach and intestines and sometimes purges. Those who use salt unsparingly, especially always suffer more or less from constipation.

To drink large quantities of water daily should be the rule with those who suffer from constipation. Each day the system needs at least two quarts of water, as about that quantity is used up or thrown out in every twenty-four hours. Fruits and vegetable foods contain much water, and in tea, coffee, soups, etc., considerable is taken habitually.

In all ways, as stated, about two quarts of water should enter the stomach daily. It is a good plan to drink one or two glasses of water from half an hour to an hour before eating breakfast. And it may be either hot or cold as preferred. Which-ever is used, the water should be slowly sipped. To deluge the stomach with cold water would be to invite dyspeptic troubles.—Boston Herald.

## High Speed as an Element of Safety.

It has been said that when the danger of collision arises if the vessel is slowed down she will have time to get out of the way. This, as a matter of fact, is a fallacy. The faster a ship steams the more fully is she under the command of her helm, and this is especially true in the present day of steam steering gear, when the quarter-master has unlimited power at his command to put the helm over quickly. Ocean liners will never go slow enough to enable them to stop and go astern in the event of meeting in a fog.

Captains will always depend on the maneuvering qualities of their ships, and, as already stated, the faster they go the more quickly will the rudder act; so that speed, which from one point of view is an element of danger, has its counterbalancing advantages. The opinion of our best shippers inclines toward the greater safety for their ships being obtained at high speed in the matter of danger from collision in case of meeting other steamers in a fog.—New York Commercial Advertiser.

## Paying for One's Own Dinner.

It seems that Mr. Depew's dinner at Hamburg when he dined in company of the Prince of Wales cost him precisely 12 marks. Twelve marks, it may be mentioned for the benefit of those who are not familiar with German currency, represents nearly \$3. It seems somewhat strange that the Prince of Wales should invite people to dine with him at his hotel and then allow his guests to pay for their own dinner, but this, I understand, is the Hamburg custom and one to which Mr. Depew, under the circumstances, cheerfully subscribed his share of the bill.

The Prince of Wales is doubtless keenly alive to the fact that there are a great many Americans who would willingly subscribe 12,000 marks instead of 12 marks for the purpose of absorbing soup and trying to find an entrance to the company. Indeed, if the prince were put up with a function I should not be surprised to see him knocked down for a very much larger figure.—New York World.

## The Jockey Watermelon.

I am often asked why watermelons are so expensive when they are so common on the ground they grow on. The reason is this: When a grower wants to treat his friends he selects a melon with a very thin skin. These are always the most delicious, and they are always to be found in a watermelon patch, but they don't stand a long journey and they have to be kept for local consumption. Most farmers prefer the tougher and thicker skinned variety, because these stand weather variations better and will travel as comfortably as pig iron. The thin skinned melons are of Spanish introduction and are much prized in the districts where the extreme heat brings them to perfection.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

## A Promising Fiber Plant.

An official report to the Belgian government states that the "guimbo" or "cane" of the Mexican state of Vera Cruz, possesses a fiber finer and stronger than silk, and of a similar luster. Experiments already made are said to indicate that the guimbo differs essentially from ramie, cotton and hemp in having the plant covering around the fiber instead of being up and interwoven with it. This makes it practicable to separate and remove the lark by means of machinery. The plant grows luxuriantly with little care, and produces a highly esteemed food in addition to the fiber.—Arkansas Traveler.

There are not one dozen but hundreds of men in New York who spend from \$2,000 to \$5,000 on garments which are made by any and every kind of dress, or their wives and valets, if they have them.

## Sunday with the Vanderbilts.

The Vanderbilts are all religiously inclined, and early on Sunday morning the children are washed and dressed and sent to Sunday school. At church time they go to their father's pew and sit there with him and their mother during the service. In the afternoon they go to Sunday school again. They are never allowed to use horses or carriages, nor to go out, except for a short walk as a matter of exercise. The day is spent very quietly. They have an early tea, and in the twilight the children gather in the music room, while one of the ladies plays the piano or organ. Cornelius Vanderbilt, William K. Kilgill, P. Shepley and the ladies of the families join for an hour or two in song.

## Several Historic Fans.

A fan belonging to a New York lady was originally given by Napoleon to Josephine and then by the empress to Mme. Campan, from whom it passed to its present owner. Of other beautiful fans owned by the late New York ladies, one painted by Dela-taille is a spirited picture of horses taking the fence at Jerome park; another, by the painter Ikara, minutely depicts a christening scene before a Spanish alcove, while a third, a charming skating scene in the Bois de Boulogne, painted by Lafitte. The fan which Mrs. Levi P. Morton carried on the night of the Centennial ball is an heirloom—exquisitely carved ivory sticks and charming water color painting on white silk.—New York World.

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Head-Ake.

"You threw me a line last night," said he.

"With a smile, to the ladies fair."

"But the night was dark; it eluded me—

"Pray, have you another to spare?"

"I may have one," said the bleeding man.

"And answered, approaching near:

"I won't run the risk of losing that."

"To make sure, I will take it here."

—Cape Cod Item.

Nothing to be proud of.

"She makes me very tired."

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Primus—Do you think that building a

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"Because, dearest, I remarked, 'you're

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Proof Positive.

"Gertrude, I see you rejected the head

clerk last night."

"Why, papa, how did you find out?"

"Easy enough—he did the biggest half

day's work this morning that he's done in

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One Mitigating Feature.

Jack—Mabel, will you be my wife?

Mabel—Indeed, I will not. I will not

even be a sister to you.

Jack—Well, thank heaven for that.—

Boston Courier.

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recesses has recently appeared the holo-

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